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SUBJECT: RESPONSE ON DEMOGRAPHIC YEARBOOK

REFS: (A) STATE 178737

(B) BONN 12943

(C) BONN 12356

SUMMARY: BONN GROUP HAS NOW REACHED COMPROMISE
AD REF AGREEMENT ON MODIFICATIONS TO TEXT OF ALLIED
REPLY TO SOVIET AND GDR NOTES IN UN RE BERLIN ENTRIES
IN DEMOGRAPHIC YEARBOOK. ON THE BASIS OF THESE
CHANGES FRG IS PREPARED TO FOREGO SEPARATE REPLY TO
SOVIETS. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPT APPROVAL OF REVISED
TEXT. END SUMMARY

1. AFTER DISCUSSION DURING AND FOLLOWING AUGUST 28
BONN GROUP MEETING, AD REF AGREEMENT WAS REACHED TO
MODIFY AUGUST 5 BONN GROUP DRAFT OF ALLIED REPLY.
CHANGES WERE MADE ESSENTIALLY TO MEET STRONGLY HELD
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FRG VIEW THAT REPLY SHOULD INCLUDE POINT THAT FRG

MAY COMMENT ON DESCRIPTION OF BERLIN IN UN STATISTICS
CONTEXT.

2. UK REP (BERMAN) HAD PROPOSED INCLUSION OF ADDITIONAL
SENTENCE FOR THIS PURPOSE AT EARLIER BONN GROUP MEETING.
AT AUGUST 29 MEETING FRG REP (LUECKING) INDICATED THEY
WERE PREPARED TO DROP IDEA OF SEPARATE FRG RESPONSE TO
SOVIET JUNE 20 NOTE IF THIS SENTENCE WERE INCLUDED AS
NEW PARA E (SEE TEXT BELOW). ON THIS BASIS COMPROMISE
REACHED AND ALL REPS AGREED TO RECOMMEND IT TO CAPITALS.
COMMENT: FRG HAS TAKEN HARD LINE ON QUESTION OF RE-
BUTTING SOVIET JUNE 20 NOTE. OUR VIEW IS THAT SOMETHING
NEEDS TO BE SAID AND THAT THIS COMPROMISE IS LEAST
DAMAGING.

3. US REP HAD PRESSED AT EARLIER BONN GROUP
MEETING FOR REVISION OF SECOND SENTENCE OF PARA B OF
AUGUST 5 AD REF TEXT ALONG LINES SUGGESTED IN REFTTEL A.
THIS DID NOT GAIN APPROVAL. HOWEVER, BONN GROUP
MODIFIED SENTENCE (SEE TEXT BELOW).

4. BEGIN TEXT

A. OPENING PARA REFERRING TO TWO SOVIET NOTES -- FOR
DRAFTING BY UN MISSIONS.

B. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE WISH TO REAFFIRM THE TERMS
OF OUR LETTER OF 1 MAY 1974 (CIRCULATED AS GENERAL
ASSEMBLY DOCUMENT NO. A/9599) AND TO RECALL THAT THE
STATUS OF BERLIN IS DETERMINED BY THE RELEVANT AGREE-
MENTS AND DECISIONS OF THE FOUR POWERS, MADE IN
EXERCISE OF THEIR QUADRIpartite RIGHTS AND RESPONSI-
BILITIES. THESE AGREEMENTS AND DECISIONS, INCLUDING
THE QUADRIpartite AGREEMENT OF 3 SEPTEMBER, 1971,
PROVIDE NO WARRANT FOR ANY ASSERTION THAT THESE
QUADRIpartite RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES RELATE
ONLY TO THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN.

C. WE ALSO WISH TO RECALL THAT FRANCE, THE UK, AND
USA AND THE USSR CONFIRMED IN THE QUADRIpartite
DECLARATION OF 9 NOVEMBER 1972 (CIRCULATED AS UN
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DOCUMENT NO. S/10955 OF 18 JUNE 1973) THAT THE
MEMBERSHIP OF THE FRG AND THE GDR IN THE UNITED
NATIONS SHALL IN NO WAY AFFECT THE RIGHTS AND
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FOUR POWERS AND THE CORRE-
SPONDING, RELATED QUADRIpartite AGREEMENTS, DECISIONS
AND PRACTICES.

D. CONSEQUENTLY, AND FOR THE REASONS ALREADY STATED

IN OUR LETTER OF 1 MAY, THERE IS NO JUSTIFICATION FOR
TREATING STATISTICS RELATING TO BERLIN IN ANY MANNER
WHICH FAILS TO REFLECT THE QUADRIpartite STATUS OF
ALL ITS SECTORS.

E. WE WISH TO STATE THAT THE LETTER DATED 6 MAY 1974

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FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FRG (A/9633)
WAS WRITTEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AUTHORITY CONFERRED
BY THE THREE POWERS ON THE FRG TO REPRESENT THE
INTERESTS OF THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN IN THE
UNITED NATIONS AND ITS SUBSIDIARY ORGANS (A/9431/S/
11150 OF DECEMBER 1972). .

F. AS FOR THE POINTS RAISED IN THE LETTER DATED
9 JULY 1974 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY

ARE NOT ALREADY COVERED BY THE FOREGOING WE WISH
TO STATE THAT OUR AUTHORITIES ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY
AGREEMENTS AND DECISIONS OF THE FOUR POWERS FROM THE
WARTIME AND POST-WAR PERIOD DETERMINING THE LEGAL
STATUS OF "BERLIN (WEST)," BUT ONLY OF SUCH AGREEMENTS
AND DECISIONS WHICH RELATE TO THE WHOLE OF BERLIN. IT
IS EVIDENT THAT ANY CHANGE IN THE SCOPE OF THOSE
AGREEMENTS AND DECISIONS CAN ONLY BE MADE BY AGREEMENT
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AMONG THE PARTIES THEMSELVES AND CANNOT BE
BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE STATEMENTS OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS.
G. (CLOSING PARAGRAPH).
5. RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT AGREE TO ABOVE TEXT AS
MODIFIED FOR PASSAGE TO ALLIED UN DELS AS ALREADY
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